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Spencer Palmer To Teach at BYU

Spencer Palmer, counselor in the Berkeley First Ward bishopric will begin teaching at the BYU, spring term. In the meantime he is working fulltime on the staff of the Institute of International Studies of the Universiy of California on diplomatic documents, letters between the United States Department of State and the Korean legation, 1883-1905. Out of this will come two books.

He is finishing dissertation work on a Ph.D. thesis in history at the U.C., and also teaching a class for graduate LDS students at the LDS Institute at Berkeley on the defense of Mormon doctrine and history.

At the Brigham Young University beginning in February 1962 Elder Spencer will teach a survey course in Asian history, several courses in the religions of Asia such as Hinduism, Taoism, Buddhism, Shintoism and Confucianism, and also a course in the Book of Mormon for non-Christian students.

11-Year Old Is Organist

"I'll Serve the Lord While I Am Young" might as well be the theme song of David Naylor Clayton, who at the age of eleven has been called by his Bishop to be Organist for the Junior Sunday School of San Rafel Ward.

David is the son of Dr. John L. and Farrell Clayton of San Rafael. He was born in Salt Lake City, March 21, 1950. When David was 3½ years old, he showed his natural ability for music. He would rush to the piano and play along with Liberace's record of "Chopsticks." It was then that his parents decided to start his musical education. (David was so taken with Liberace that when he was 5 and his brother Paul was born he was upset because his parents wouldn't name the new baby after his ideal.)

When David was still 5 he made several appearances on T.V. in Salt Lake on Uncle Roscoe's Program, playing the piano. Both his parents are musical, his father helped work his way through medical school playing clarinet and saxaphone in a dance band, and also sang in the Tabernacle Choir for two years. David can't quite decide if he will be a doctor like his Dad or if he will be a Concert Pianist. He enjoys practicing his music, and usually devotes about 2 hours daily. While in Salt Lake he studied under Gladys Gladstone for 2 years, and he is now studying with Herbert Jaffe of San Francisco.

ORGANIST: David Clayton

PRESIDENT O. LESLIE STONE, chairman of the Oakland Welfare Region, seated left, seems pleased by Elder Henry D. Taylor's appointment of a Regional Welfare vice-chairman, Francis B. Winkel, center, president of Hayward Stake. Standing left, Elder Victor Peterson is Regional Co-ordinator. —photo by Al Scheuller

REGIONAL WELFARE LEADER—Elder Victor Peterson, regional co-ordinator consults with President William Stoker, San Mateo Stake, newly appointed director of the San Francisco Welfare Region. Elder Henry D. Taylor, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve made the appointment. —photo by Al Schueller

Organ Recital Series Opens At East Bay Interstake Center

Bach, Shumann or Brahms, composers extraordinary, of majestic organ music, are yours for the listening any Saturday afternoon in the tranquil setting of the Interstake auditorium. Tours of the area will be conducted after each recital.

A wonderful new series of recitals was launched Saturday, September 30 at the Center on Lincoln avenue with Robert R. Douglas at the organ console. Beginning at 3 p.m. Bob played for thirty minutes from the works of composers who excelled in creating sacred music for the "King of Instruments."

A recital of comparable excellence will be presented at 3 p.m. Saturday, October 7, with an outstanding guest artist from Oakland, Robert Kates. Mr. Kates is organist for the Montclair Presbyterian Church in Oakland and he will include Brahms' "O Wie Selig Seid Ihr Doch Ihs Frommen" in his selections.

The third recital, Saturday, October 14, at 3:00 p.m. will be played by another well-known East Bay organist, Kenneth Z. Mansfield. Mr. Mansfield plays for St. Peters' Episcopal Church in Oakland and has included in his program numbers from the works of Cesar Franck, Louis Vierne and other noted composers of music.

Mary Russell Burton, Berkeley First ward organist, will present the fourth recital on Saturday, October 21 at 4:30 p.m. instead of 3 p.m. Mrs. Burton's artistry at the organ keyboard is well known to Church members and she has included in her selections compositions from Louis Couperin and Bach.

Any Saturday of the month at 3 p.m., except October 21 at 4:30, the colorful tones of the majestic pipe organ at the Interstake Center may be enjoyed by anyone, members, guests or visitors in the building, by simply taking a comfortable seat in the auditorium for thirty minutes.

Robert Douglas is managing this special series of recitals which will be continued indefintely. Paul Summerhays, who is supervising the Saturday events, hopes that by the time the Temple is a reality that the organ recitals will be established as one of the "you-can't-afford-to-miss" items on the schedule of every visitor or tourist to the Bay Area.

A special event is scheduled for Sunday, November 12, at 3 p.m. at the Center, when the Church and the San Francisco State College will present Alexander Post, College organist, in a complete recital. Watch the "Messenger" for further announcements on this special presentation.

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Bay Welfare Region Becomes Two; Serve 88 Wards, 12 Stakes

By Nell Smith

Again we divide because we multiply. Once more the General Authorities have surveyed the rapid growth of the Church in the Bay Area and this time have deemed it wise to create two welfare regions from he exising San Francisco Bay Area Welfare Region.

Henry D. Taylor, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, presided over the area welfare meeting held in the Oakland First and Third Ward Chapel, for welfare officers from eleven Stakes, with President O. Leslie Stone, welfare district chairman, conducting.

President William L. Stoker, San Mateo Stake, was sustained as chairman of the new San Francisco Welfare Region, comprised of five stakes: San Francisco, Palo Alto, San Jose, Monterey and San Mateo. It will serve the needs of the 41 wards with a population of 23,471 mtmbers.

President Stone will continue in his position as Welfare chairman of the original area which has been named the Oakland Region. Seven Stakes make up the Oakland district including Oakland-Berkeley, San Leandro, Hayward, Walnut Creek, Santa Rosa and Napa. The membership numbers 26,399 in 47 wards.

In order to assist President Stone in the multiple duties of the welfare chairman, Elder Taylor appointed President Francis B. Winkel, Hayward Stake, as vice-chairman of the Oakland Region. President Stoker had not selected his assistant at the time of the meeting.

Elder Victor Peterson will retain his position as regional coordinator in the Oakland region and will also serve San Francisco until that office is filled.

The two regions will continue to use the facilities of the Bay Area Bishop's Storehouse located at Gould Street, Oakland. Elder Ezra T. Benson presided over the dedication of the Storehouse last June. Deliveries of necessities to the needy are made twice weekly from the Storehouse which was completed at a cost of $72,000 on property which was donated by the Hayward and Oakland-Berkeley Stakes.

Richard Bednar Now On Y Staff

Richard Bednar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bednar, 869 Durant Avenue, San Leandro Second ward, has received an appointment as Reasearch assistant to Dr. Draytos Nuttal, Research director of the college of education at Brigham Young University.

Graduated form San Leandro High in June, 1956, Richard received his B.S. degree in Psychology in June, 1961, from BYU.

Richard and his wife, Saundra, have been appointed Head Residents of Lavina Fugal hall, one of the girls dormitories on campus. Mrs. Bednar is the former Saundra Knudson of San Carlos, California.

"EVENING IN PARIS"

"Evening in Paris" is theme for "a party with class" featuring professional entertainment, fashions and dancing, October 13, 8:00 p.m., Interstake center. Benefits will be for the missionary fund of the 247th Quorum of Seventies.

ELDER THEODORE M. BURTON, assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles, of the Crurch of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will speak at conference sessions for the San Francisco Stake, October 7 and 8.

Theodore Burton, Conference Speaker

Elder Theodore M. Burton, an Assistant to the Council of Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Salt Lake City, will be the featured speaker Saturday and Sunday, Oct-ference of the Church's San Fran-ober 7-8, during a quarterly con-cisco Stake.

Conducting the conference will be Stake President Irven Glade Derrick, 408 Skyline Dr., Daly City, California.

Sunday's general sessions, to which the public is invited, will be held at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Elder Burton was professor of chemistry at Utah State University, Logan, Utah, when his present church assignment came to him in 1960. He had served as president of the West German Mission from 1957-60.

Thanks to Radio and TV

To show your appreciation for Television and radio broadcasts of the General Conference Sessions on Sunday, October 1, please remember, if you have not already done so, to send in a note of appreciation to your local radio and television stations.

David Jensen Dies of Stroke

David Jensen, member of Berkeley Second ward, and circulation manager of The Messenger, died Thursday morning, September 28, after a stroke.

Four years circulation manager of The Messenger, Brother Jensen, was also an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Just a few hours before his death, I. B. Ball and The Messenger editor were discussing a feature story about him to appear in the November issue.

All ward clerks should note that requests for changes in names or addresses should go, for the present, to I. B. Ball, 1612 Spruce Street, Berkeley 9.

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Walter G. Alini Dies At Work

Walter G. Alini, husband of Victoria R. Alini, died suddenly, September 1, 1961, while at work. Services were held at Gantner-Felder-Kenny, September 5, 1961, presided over by Bishop Thomas O. Call. He was buried at Cypress Lawn cemetary.

Johnnie Williamson, 5-year old son of Arlene Williamson has been in the Shriners' Hospital since July. Although he is not recieving visitors he would appreciate cards, especially from the young people.

Mrs. Everlie Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Glew, on a vacation with her family from Washington, visited her parents, here.

Joanne Salmenson, daughter of Anne Salmenson, home for the summer vacation, is going to BYU for her second year. Also Colleen Johnson, daughter of Lucille and Harold Johnson, after being with her parents, for the summer is returning to BYU.

Audrey M. Campbell, granddaughter of Rosa Cohen was baptized and confirmed August 19, by Kenneth Brown. Howard Blazzard, son of Trevelyn and Sylvia Blazzard, born July 20, was blessed September 3, by her father. Dianne Earnshaw, daughter of Joseph and Janice Maddux, born May 22, was blessed September 3, by David Chaffee. Michele Blazzard, daughter of Howard C. and Genevieve Blazzard, was baptized September 2, 1961 by her grandfather, William Hamblin, and confirmed by her grandfather Howard N. Blazzard. Kenneth Dorow, son of Sue Dorow was blessed by Bishop Thomas Call, September 3.

Los Altos Ward

Bruce Richardson, N. Central Mission

By Bonnie Hill

The Los Altos ward chapel, filled to overflowing, was the scene of a farewell testimonial, August 20, for Bruce Murray Richardson who has been called to the North Central States mission. He becomes the third missionary from our ward.

Bruce is the eldest child and only son of Bishop V. Murray Richardson and Wilma Gilbert Richardson, formerly our Relief Society President. His five younger sisters include Jill, Janean, Laurie, Susie, and Vicki.

Bishop Richardson, employed in the Industrial Department of Southern Pacific, has been with the railroad for many years making frequent changes of location. Bruce was born in Salinas in 1942, but began his schooling in Salt Lake City in 1948 while the family were members of Grant Stake. As a fourth grader he moved to the Los Altos area. A transfer to Sacramento was made in 1956 where Bruce attended three years of high school and became an Eagle Scout. The family returned to Los Altos two years ago and Bruce graduated from Los Altos High School in 1960.

Bruce spent his last three summers employed in an auto parts shop, later as an engineers helper in a chemical plant, and most recently while awaiting his call, as he has lived at home and attended handyman. During the past year Foothill College. His fine acadmic record and leadership made him an honor student and gave him the opportunity to attend an honorary two day seminar in the Santa Cruz mountains conducted by four professors for 35 students. Among other subjects he was happy to be able to discuss the principles of his church with members of this group.

Bruce received the Duty to God Award while in Sacramento and individual awards for the past six years. He attended Seminary for three years and served one year as its president as well as secretary of the Priest's quorum. He was recently called upon to serve as assistant ward scout master. Thanks to a love of music and a fine tenor voice he has participated in the Messiah the past two years and Promised Valley just before his departure.

A letter just received by his parents states that he and his companion have now been assigned to open missionary activity in Hutchinson, Minn., a town where there have been no missionaries for many years and only one LDS family is on record. The enthusiasm he expressed about this challenging situation is a joy to his parents.

Boyach Family Now In Berkeley

Clifton Boyack and family are back home in Berkeley Second ward, after doing an outstanding job of assisting in establishng a church college in New Zealand. Dr. Boyack was college president for the past four years, while on leave of absence from the Berkeley school district.

The Boyack family left New Zealand June 10, accompanied by two of their children, Lee and Margery. After touring the Holy Land, they picked up their other two children, Don and Sue, in Germany. They bring back good reports of missionaries Dave Owens and Edward Corbett, whom they visited in Berlin.

They flew from London to New York and then drove home with the family.

Don is leaving in October for a mission to the Southern States. His farewell testmonal will be October 15. Sue, who is teaching in Salt Lake City, has marriage plans for October 27.

San Rafael-Greenbrae

Ward Conference Scheduled Oct. 15

By Nettie Clark

Everyone is invited to attend ward conference October 15; and Santa Rosa Stake conference October 21 and 22.

Priesthood members of the ward should note that the new time for Priesthood meeting is 9:15 a.m.

For all those fortunate enough to be able to sing, choir practice will be at 4:30 p.m. each Sunday.

Opening social of the San Rafel-Greenbrae M.I.A., September 5, was conducted like the TV program, "Dance Party." M. C. for the evening was Mark Hathaway who is the producer of this program. For entertainment, Frank Norton and Ron Gossling sang and played their guitars. Claudia and Art Bliss danced, and Nancy Norton sang. To round off the evening, punch and doughnuts were served.

"An Evening to Remember" was the title of the Y.W.M.I.A. Award Night, September 12. A program was presented by the girls and their leaders for the assembled parents. Girls who received honor awards were: Kathy Allen, Claudia Hunsaker, Nancy Norton, Sheryl Reinhardt, Jacque Reynolds, Christine Beck, Derrith Lynn, Robin Reid, Carol Ann Reynolds, Lawna Stanley, Betty Gulbranson, Ann Canaan, Shannon Farrow, DeeAnn Hickman, Roxanna Reid. New girls who graduated from Primary and were welcomed into the M.I.A. are Karen Fuller, Barbara Klaus, Karen Lloyd, Ellen Palmer, Debora Stevenson, Sheila White, Diane Zimmerman. At the end of the program refreshments were served consisting of a large cake decorated with each class symbol.

New Primary Officers held a luncheon for 16 at the home of Marjory Walton, September 15. This luncheon served two purposes, to introduce the new board, and to honor the out-going officers, to whom gifts were presented.

We have three new babies in our ward this month, Neal and Darlien Sorensen a girl on August 24, Jim and Jean Dunford a boy on September 2, and Bill and Ruth Southwick a boy on September 11.

"Tag" Talent Search Is On

Auditions for the musical production, "Cindy," will be held Thursday, October 5, 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Interstake Center stage. Bring your own music to rehearsal. This mirthful version of the Cinderella Story is sponsored by the Theater Arts Guild which previously entertained the four stakes with their favorably received production of "The Good Word."

"Cindy" is scheduled for production in January of 1962. Jim Call, producer, and John Coulter, director, are seeking principal singers and actors, both male and female, including several lovable character parts, members of the chorus, dancers, two children (a girl, 6 to 7, and a boy, 8 to 10), non-singing parts, and various technicians.

The TAG organization is an Interstake church theatrical group which provides an outlet for the expression of all kinds of talent. In addition to raising funds for various church organizations it provides quality entertainment with high standards that can be enjoyed by member and non-member alike.

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Sunnyvale Second

Bishop Chantrill Moves To Japan

By Grace G. Schow

Bishop Claytor Chantrill and his wife Elva and youngest son, Eugene, recently embarked on a 3-year stay in Japan, where he will supervise the building and administration of a new elementary school. He received his Doctorate at Stanford in June of 1961 and his new position is the result of his studies while at Stanford. Sister Chantrill will also teach in an elementary school in Japan. Their son, James, was recently called to serve in the French East Mission, and their son, Earl, will attend school at Ricks College in Idaho.

Bishop Chantrill and his counselors, Marion Wittwer and Kent Burnett, were succeeded by Bishop Marion Wittwer and his counselors, Blair Egli and Danford Schow, who were ordained by Elder LeGrande Richards on September 10, 1961.

Plans for an opening social on September 30 are announced by Sister Grace Winegar, Relief Society President. Sister Winegar also announces the Bazaar to be held November 4, and all the sisters are busily preparing for the event which is making our handiwork well known to our own members as well as many non-members who look forward to seeing many of the almost-lost arts being exhibited.

On four consecutive Sundays, farewell testimonials were held in Sunnyvale Second Ward. On August 13 Elder Wayne P. Webster, Jr. was honored prior to his departure for the Scottish-Irish Mission. Wayne is the eldest son of Wayne and Dorothy Webster and is one of 5 boys and 2 girls. It was a double honor for Brother and Sister Webster, since, in addition to Wayne's farewell, his three brothers administered the sacrament. Wayne entered the mission home on his parent's 21st wedding anniversary. He is now living in Stirling, Scotland, a very historical area of the world. He writes that the mission home is a three-story mansion, surrounded by flowers, green grass and a putting green. However, there is no central heating and no electricity and the Elders can bathe but once a week. It rains approximately 200 days out of the year and is very cold, but Elder Webster reports with all of the disadvantages including the fact that our Elders have not been accepted too well, he is very enthusiastic about his work. He hopes to have an opportunity of working on his maternal grandfather's genealogy, since there has been no information from that area since his grandfather left the area during the war.

On August 20, Elder Frank H. Bria was the recipient of many good wishes and a farewell testimonial was held in his honor. Elder Bria is a relatively new convert to the church, having joined shortly after his brother, Carmen, was converted. Carmen, who married the former Roxie Woodare, is now in Germany with the Army and Frank may have the opportunity to see Carmen and Roxie when he reports to the French East Mission, 3 Avenue de Grande Bretagne, Lyon 6, France. Frank spent 2 years at BYU and plans to return to school there upon his release.

Elder James A. Chantrill, son of Bishop Claytor and Elva Chantrill, has been assigned to the same mission as Elder Bria. His farewell testimonial was held on August 27,1961. This was a particularly inspiring testimonial, as it was also a farewell for Bishop Chantrill upon his leaving for Japan.

On September 3 Elder John D. Klassen, son of Sister Ruth Klassen was honored. Elder Klassen has been called to serve in the Northwestern States Mission. A 1961 graduate of Sunnyvale High School, he is the youngest son of the late Jacob P. Klassen. He is now in Portland, Oregon. Elder Klassen has been very active in ward activities including Activities Director for YMMIA, baseball coach for Deacons group and is a graduate of Seminary. It is of interest that each of the original five young men of John's Guide Patrol which was taught by his mother is now on a mission. This further emphasizes the importance of the Primary Program.

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D.U.P. Officers Map Program

By Aura Kirk

Alameda County Daughters of Utah Pioneers, under County Captain Pearl Meine of San Leandro, met at her home in San Leandro, Aug. 24, to map the year's program. Captain Meine called all her County officers and five District Captains to the meeting. She was assisted by her able Vice-captains, Delia Bates and Myrtle Famariss.

County Chorister La Vaun Johnson led us in the song "Come, Come Ye Saints." Prayer was given by County Captain La Vern Bain.

Evangeline Pedler, County Sec. & Treas., read a letter from National Pres. Kate B. Carter inviting us to the National Convention to be held in Salt Lake City during Conference week.

All Camp Captains were urged to hand a list of all officers, time of day of meetings to Secretary Pedler as soon as possible, as opening parties will be held in September by each camp.

Each County officer was urged to visit all District Camps during year and make report.

Anna Patton told of a marker to be put on the ground in Centerville where the first Mormon Adobe House was built in 1848. The land formerly belonged to the Overacker Pioneer family but today the church owns this piece of land, having purchased it from Mrs. Edna Overacker recently. Some day soon there will be a B.Y.U. Junior College erected on that land.

The California Highway Patrol will make the sign for us, furnish the standard and bolts for $25.00.

Two copies of Mrs. Patton's book, "California Mormons by Sail and Trail" have been put in the Library at Interstake Center.

Aura Bennett Kirk was appointed publicity chairman for the County Camp.

Reports were given on programs put on in Wards by District Camps on July 23.

Three-Ward Lecture Series

A new lecture series began Thursday, September 21 at 7:30, for 12 sessions, for Claremont, University and Berkeley wards. Senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood and unordained men and their partners are especially invited. Joseph Eyring and Sister Eyring are in charge of the group.

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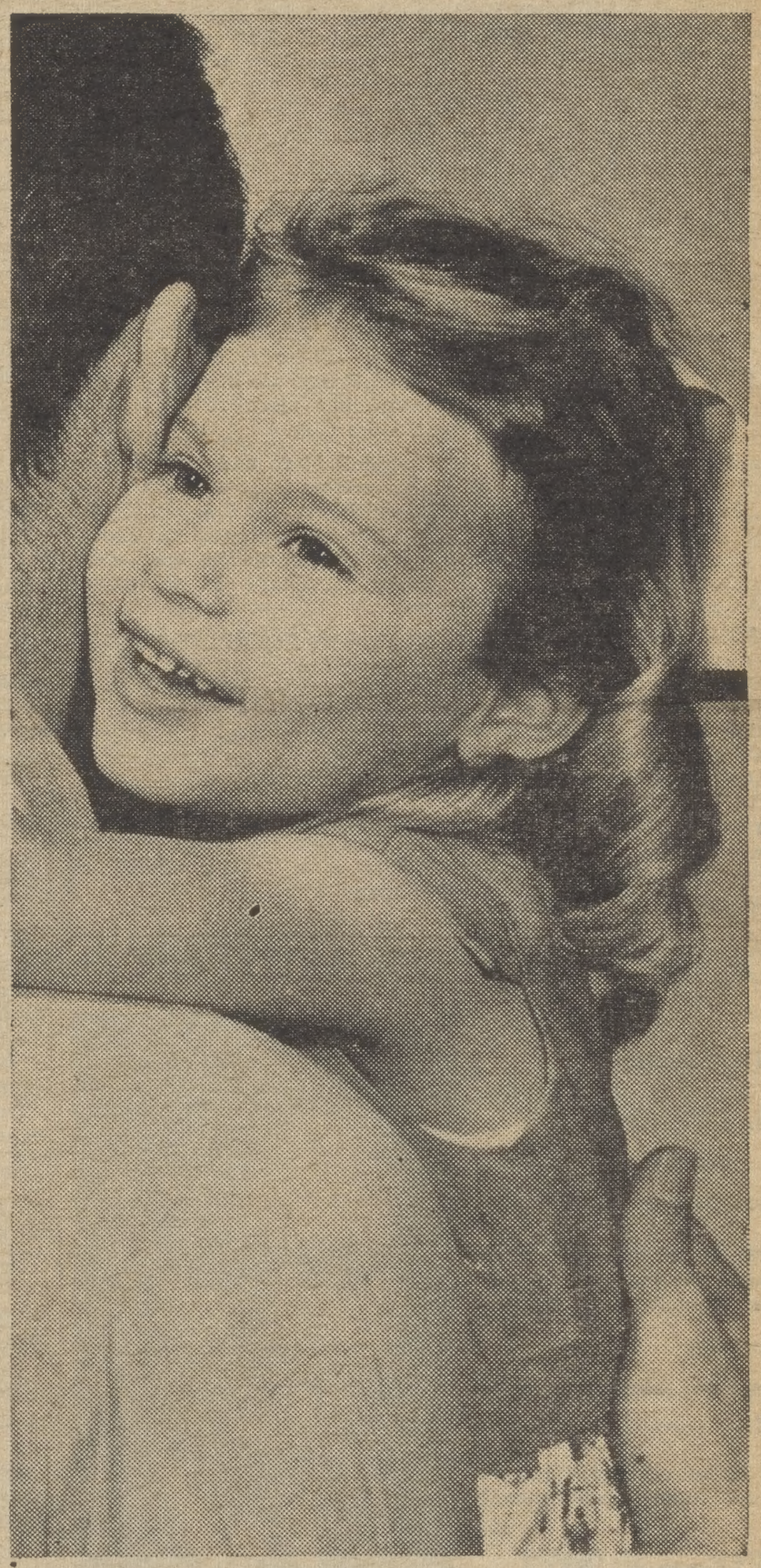

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BISHOP JESSE R. FARR, has returned to Berkeley First ward, where he served as Bishop.

Berkeley First

Ward List Now Includes All Former Bishops

By Charlene Jenson

With the return of Bishop Jesse R. Farr to Berkeley First ward, every living Bishop who has served in our ward is now living within our ward boundaries. They are: A. D. Ericksen, Denzil Allen, LeRoi Gardner, Jack Fife and Bishop James Sabine.

Bishop Farr who served 1939-42, and his wife, Phyliss, have moved from Palo Alto ward where he was serving as Bishop.

He is a regional attorney for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in San Francisco, and has served on the high council in Palo Alto stake. Their daughter, Pat is attending the University of California and their son, Michael, is on a mission to Samoa.

Many new faces have been seen around the Berkeley First Ward lately. Sister Nelda Booras, who is teaching school and her son Terry (going to BYU this fall) come from Valejo. Mrs. Booras has another son on a mission at the present time. We also want to welcome Sister Amy Funk and her three children, Clifford, Randolyn and Norman. They are originally from Arizona, but more recently from Salt Lake City.

Gerald Robison and his wife Lucia came from BYU with their two children Sylvia and Stanley. Gerald is getting his doctorate in Genetics and is one of the instructors teaching seminary at Richmond Ward.

Miss Claire Gilchrist, living with Blanche Severine at the present time was secretary to Sister Belle Spafford of the Relief Society in Salt Lake City. Miss Gilchrist is now working at the University of California in a secretarial position.

A. Sheldon Millward and his wife Grace also join our ranks. Brother Millward is a former bishop of Claremont ward.

Rulen H. and Geraldine Cook and their five children are attending the ward and live in the University Village. They come from Fremont and Gerry has already been put to work as the MIA Maid teacher in Mutual, replacing Ann Quigley.

The Relief Society Presidency and members want to extend a vote of thanks to Sister Helen Kingdon for her fine work in the Presidency of the Relief Society. Thelma Gardner has been chosen to fill Sister Kingdon's position.

The Elder's Quorum presidency has some new members: Ted Epling is continuing as President, however new counselors are Donald Jenson and Gerald Robison replacing Mike Tower and Myron Best.

Bill Radcliff and his wife Leah are leaders of the ward Education committee. Victor Peterson is the teacher of the seminary students with new officers Mike Radcliff, president; Jim Strebel, vice president; and Janet Williams, secretary.

Sister Edith Pyle is the new Junior Sunday School coordinator. Sister Pyle just completed a stake mission. Two other new teachers in the Junior Sunday School. Jean Habakoss and Bessie Braby.

The Joseph Eyrings have just returned from a month's sunshine and hula dancing in balmy Hawaii. We are lookig forward to seeing some of this special talent in our ward functions.

The M.I.A. girls had an honor night Tuesday, September 11 with all of the different classes of girls earning awards participating.

Mike and Sherry Tower, former members of our ward, just added another little girl to their happy nest. Cindy and Kelly are quite pleased over the 9 lb. 20" bundle of joy, but wonder why she cries so much.

Another anxious family waiting for their new arrival were the Wendell O'Bryants. The two boys were hoping for a boy, but when Denise Dee arrived, they wouldn't trade her, even if it did make five girls to outnumber them. Denise weighed in at 9 lbs. 6 oz. and was 21" long.

35 Attend Colleges

Berkeley Second ward has 35 students attending college this fall: Nancy and Dan Bagness, Myrl Coltrin, Deanna Chirley, Julia Summerhays, June and Joan Turner, Susan Young, Tom Young, Tom Hopkins, Bill Burke, Ann and David Balmforth, Don Carpenter, Steve Clubb, Lynda Quinton, Kent Rasmussen, Mervin Rasmussen, Judy Andrews, Margaret Bodily, Sheri Evans, Ken Fullmer, Larry Gilbert, Pat Gray, Marilyn Hayes, Pamela Holmes, Diana and Anita Jensen, Bill Johnson and Glenn Kay.

Leadership Week Reaches 3,418; Planning Starts For Aug. 27-30, '62

Termed "the largest BYU leadership week in the church," by Dean Harold Glen Clark, the Northern California Festival of Learning has already been scheduled for 1962, according to M. Dee Smith, chairman.

In the 1961 Leadership Week, participants totalled 3,418, a raise over 1960's record 3,370.

In its third year, the 1961 Leadership Week provided 77 classts and 5 general sessions and a fashion show. From Brigham Young University faculty came 22 and from Northern California 11 men and women who drew constant praise and expressions of appreciation from participants.

In a letter to J. D. Paulson, former editor of The Messenger, BYU vice president Harvey L. Taylor said: "Our faculty membtrs. . . love the people of your area and never get through talking about the nice experiences they have."

With anothtr successful "Festival of Learning" behind them, the 1961 committee now becomes the 1962 committee and is already working on plans for Aug. 27-31. M. Dee Smith again chairs the Leadership Week committee, assisted by: J. Newell Christensen, finances and registration; R. Lee Kenner, Faculty and curriculum; Nell Smith, Promotion and Publicity; LaRue Matney, Housing and Transportation; Curtis R. Bybee, facilities; Wallace Jones, food; Dennis Lauper, personnel; and Joyce Osbourne, coordinator, fashion show.

Dean Clark has already asked members of committees and faculty members to think of new and different approaches so that people will be enthusiastic about returning to the 1962 sessions.

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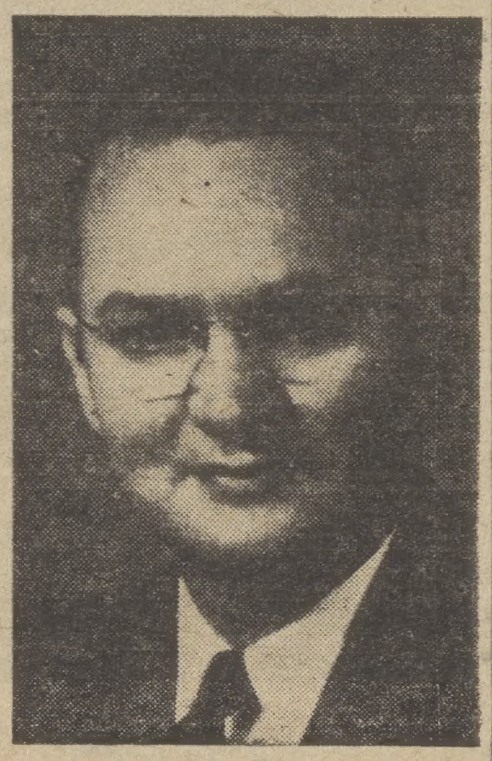

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Nine LDS Business Men Are Located, Downtown Berkeley

By I.B. Ball

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For an answer to this question, look at the lower half of this page you are reading. In that half-page advertisement are six answers to the question. There are at least three others who do not appear in the ad.

For the fun of it, let's go calling on these nine people for a quick handshake.

Starting at University avenue, near Shattuck, we enter the Atcheson Building, one block west of the U.C. campus, we get out of the elevator we walk right into Anna and Von T. Ellsworth's tax service offices. Anna once served as Oakland Stake Relief Society president and Von was in the Berkeley ward bishopric. For years they have conducted a sales tax, an unemployment tax and a motor vehicle tax service recognized as tops even by the State Board of Equalization which subscribes for all three services.

One short block south on Shattuck we come to the upstairs engineering offices of "Woody" Bates (Berkeley First ward). Unless we're really early he and his crew of surveyors and instruments may be out somewhere surveying or running lines for contour maps.

Now we walk across Shattuck to the tallest office building in Berkeley, the American Trust Buiding. On entering we are greeted by Willard Ellis, a vice president in charge of the real estate department. He serves in the Oakland-Berkeley Stake High Priests' presidency.

We walk one block north to Addison Avenue where a half block west of Shattuck we turn into Stout's Tire Service (a 25 year-old name in Berkeley) and meet the widely known Afton Stout, basso profundo soloist and group singer, and his very genial brother Homer. They are General Tires Distributors.

Speeding in our car from Stout's Tires we soon arrive at the newest LDS business in Berkeley. It's the "Pizza Haven", facing the U.C. campus on Bancroft Way, a half block west of Telegraph Avenue. These young men, until a year ago, conducted a pizza eating place in Provo, Utah, near the BYU campus. Now they want to get acquainted here. They cater, not only to the U.C. trade but to quorum and family parties.

Driving down Shattuck a mile we come to "Custom Kitchens" at 6624 Telegraph Avenue just over the Berkeley line and into Oakland where one can select complete kitchen equipment, designed and installed with all electrical and plumbing work included. John Wilkins, Claremont Ward, tells of many homes he has served in this way.

And not far from Custom Kitchens resides the LDS commerical photographer, Robert C. McCrea also of Claremont Ward, 452B 62nd Street, Oakland. He's one you often see taking pictures at weddings.

Last of all, we call on I. B. Ball (poetry, eh?) and see a $1500 display of LDS books and genealogical supplies in a "Basement Bookstore" at his home, 1612 Spruce Street, two blocks north of U.C.

There also, we see the four addressograph machines and over 10,000 name plates for each month's mailing of the Messenger of Northern California to nearly 50 wards on both sides of the bay. That's perhaps one of the busiest basements in all the 50 wards.

Berkeley Second

Ward Bazaar On October 21

Berkeley Second ward's Bazaar will be held October 21. Committees are working out details which will be announced at church meetings and in bulletins.

A Relief Society luncheon, September 20, helped raise money for the new dishes which were purchased jointly by Berkeley II and Richmond wards.

We are sorry to report that Hyrum Winters, 58, has passed away. Also, that Sister Ada Lindblad made a hurried trip to visit her mother, Sister Minton, who is very ill.

Rex and Janice Gardner had their new son, born August 1, blessed at last month's fast meeting. Tom and Jean Hopkins had their new baby girl, Cynthia Grace, blessed before returning to the BYU.

Dave Hulme and Bill Cain have exchanged places as Scout Master and Assistant Scoutmaster for the ward troop. Lloyd Cluff is the new YMMIA activity counselor.

Donna and Bessie Roberts enjoyed a three week trip to Texas where they visited relatives. The Gordon Langlois family had a three week vacation in Hawaii. They recommend a wonderful way to enjoy Hawaii is to use the parks for eating and sleeping. John and Eva Franz, Sr., enjoyed a summer vacation trip to Victoria, B.C., and Seattle.

New members in the ward are: Pat Plastrik from Claremont ward; Kenneth and Shirley Lee and two daughters and a son, originally from Cardston, Alberta, Canada; Sharman and Anna-Marie Hummell, new converts; Gene and Judy Guiterrez; David ond Ann Montague and children; and Mrs. Lessie Davis Buck, newly-wed from Claremont ward.

John W. Freeman was baptized by his father and confirmed by his Grandfather Freeman.

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Ward Young People Show Leadership

Reports of our Berkeley Second ward's youth, show that they are active in leadership roles:

El Cerrito high school Junior class president, Larry Owens, and Sue Holmes and Bonnie Baer, are members of the high school junior central committee.

John and Carol Franz spent a month this summer in Newport, R.I. at the Naval War College. He has now resumed his dental studies in the Bay area.

Gary Chan has been elected president of his Seminary class and also vice president of the district Bay Area student council. Other officers for the ninth and tenth grade Seminary students are: Cynthia Smith, secretary; Sue Harmon, historian; and Karen Linschoten, music. Margaret Owens is teacher.

Eleventh and Twelfth grade seminary students are headed up by: Jeannie Hayes, president; Dave Wallin and Bonnie Baer, vice presidents; Gail Evans, historian; Margareta Brown, music; and Marilla Bodily, choirster. Bob Allison is teacher, replacing Grant Cluff who has been named Stake Seminary coordinator.

Ann Balmforth improved her shining moments by filling a three-month mission while home for summer vacaton.

Richard Jensen is stationed with the 27th Fighter Interceptor Squadron at Loring Air Force Base, Maine, for a three-year hitch.

Appointments, Redwood City

By Gay Taylor

New apointments were announced Sunday, September 17, in several departments of the Redwood City ward.

Thelma Curis was installed as Relief Society president. New members of her staff will be: LaVon Saunders, first counselor; Margaret Strickler, second counselor; Melba Alsop, secretary; Mary Steffeson, work director; Frances Hill, assistant work director; Gladys Oaiki, visiting teacher message; Gay Taylor, theology.

In the MIA, Jack Albretson was given the job of organist; Margaret Newman, first year beehive teacher; Jean Wick, age group counselor, Williom Ward, cubmaster.

The Sunday School has secured Rose Marshall for secretary; Barbara Hansen, teacher trainer; Ann Nielson, Jr. Sunday School teacher.

David Freestone is to be advisor to the Priests' Quorum.

Frances Hill has been appointed as Primary chorister and Nancy Crouch as a teacher in the Primary.

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LENA KLEIN, honored at a special work meeting of the Oakland Fourth Ward Relief Society, to celebrate her 90th birthday, has been a member of Relief Society for 72 years and visiting teacher 66 years. —photo by Floyd Harkins

Claremont Ward

Mission Call For Joseph Brown

By Betty Moss

Joseph LeRoy Brown, son of Joseph and Elsie Brown, has been called to labor in the Scotch-Irish Mission. A farewell for Elder Brown will be held in the Claremont Ward chapel, October 29, and he will leave for the Mission Home on November 6.

LeRoy graduated from the University of Southern California a year ago and has just completed a six month tour of duty with the U.S. Army. He is currently involved in passing the C.P.A. examination.

We appreciate the good work put forth by so many to make the Welfare Carnival a success. Special thanks go to Earl Smith for organizing and carrying through such a fine evening, and to LaMont Bench and John Anderson for decorating the hall.

The Relief Society opening social will be held October 3. After a program including previews of the year's lessons, luncheon will be served.

Seminary is under way for the young people of the Ward and their friends, under the direction of Charles Olson.

The Theater Arts Guild has accepted a play written by LaMont Bench for presentation in November, 1962. LaMont's play is a musical drama entitled "The Girl Next Door."

A Scout Court of Honor was held at which Robert Ahlborn received his Life Scout award and merit badges in nature and swimming. Paul Barry, Vernon Muhr, Bobby Morgan, and Dave Wilkins became First Class Scouts. Bob Kassow received merit badges in woodcarving, basketry, and nature. Paul Barry received a merit badge in swimming, and Chuck Christensen received one in stamp collecting.

Walnut Creek

Hot Dogs Drop At Lake Eiler

When an airplane dropped letters and hot dogs for Scout Troop 211 at their summer camp on Lake Eiler, the parachute came off, and the hot dogs came down at a hot pace.

This was one of the experiences of the troop in the Thousand Lake Wilderness area. The young men and their leaders made a rough-road trip of 17 miles, then hiked the last five. Their trip lasted 9 days. They had a rubber raft, held boat and raft races, and enjoyed swimming and fishing.

Milton, Dennis and Ricky Clark, Eric Hansen, Dave Skidmore, Bob Jensen, Allen Mayfield, Ross Barker, Larry Lyford, Allen Weeks, Ron Hahn, Russell Krey, Norman Spencer, Mike Marker, and Dennis Bledsoe were the scouts.

Scoutmasters Grant Cutler and Tom Johnson were assisted by committee chairman Glen Spencer. John Hilton of the bishopric conducted Sunday Services.

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Newly-Weds At Martinez Home

Residing at their new home, 1043 Vine Avenue, Martinez, are the recently married Mr. and Mrs. James F. Brown. The bride, former Judith Marie Batchelor, is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Batchelor, 1331 Shell Avenue, Martinez.

The Browns were married at an afternoon ceremony in the Martinez ward chapel, September 2, with Bishop Grant B. Shaw officiating. Shirley Marlow, sister of the bride was the bride-attendant, and Lee Marlow, brother-in-law of the bride was best man.

A wedding reception was held afterward in the recreation hall.

James is a former resident of North Carolina and Judy, a recent convert to the church, has been active in all church meetings and attended seminary. She is in her senior year at Alhambra High School. Jim is employed by the Walnut Creek Vacuum Cleaner Corporation.

Out of town guests included the bride's brother, Jerry Batchelor, U.S.M.C. from Camp Pendleton, and an uncle Gabe Robins of Santa Rosa.

Walnut Creekk

78 From Three High Schools Take Seminary

By Lois Butler

Seventy-eight Seminary students are studying church history each school-day morning at the chapel. They come from Los Lomas, Pleasant Hill and Del Valle high schools. Armand Mauss is principal and teaches the freshman group of 35; Del Barrett of Concord ward teaches the 17 sophomores; William Blair of Pleasant Hill ward teaches the 26 in the junior-senior classes. Many joint activities will be held during the year: Films, assembly programs, student panels, and an occasional early morning breakfast. School buses take the students to their respective schools after seminary.

The Relief Society had a fine attendance at work meeting when a survival pack was demonstrated by Baughn Lauritsen. Several similar demonstrations are planned. Cenella Rounds will work with Fern Hahn as work director; Muriel Cottle is magazine representative; Ina Speer, organist.

Albert Gilbert has been called to be ward teaching supervisor. Lewis Cottle is now general secretary for Senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood with Edward Pyle as assistant. Tony Mottishaw has been released and Brother Wilcox has taken his place as Teachers' advisor.

Mary Sumsion, Phyllis Christofferson and Mildred Lindley are new Sunday School teachers. Blanche Cherrington is secretary; Nico Snel, Jr., is chorister. Linda and Diane Skidmore have taught Joan Uffin's class this summer. Joan is in the hospital, but is allowed out of the iron lung for a few hours each day. Junior Sunday School children made a "Joan book" by drawing pictures of themselves.

Preston Dehlin is ward representative for church books, and also has genealogical supplies.

Robert Anderson will start the Teacher Training class this month. Brother Anderson is doing counselling work at Miramonte High School this year.

The Primary is ready for the fall season with the following new teachers: Janice Behunin, Star Class; Barbara Hansen, Rainbows; Darloha Freeman, Co-pilots; Carolyn Snel, Top-pilot; Muril Cottle, Top Pilot; Jan Hilton, Blazers; Anna Lea Spencer, Trekkers; Frank Lozono, Jr. man for Guide Patrol; Jay Boam, Moonbeams; Joan Groesbeck, organist; Shirley Osborn, assistant secretary. The officers and teachers had a get acquainted pot-luck dinner at the home of Ruth Brown.

Thirty one girls and three YWMIA leaders received individual awards for the past year. Ruth Johnson will teach Gleaners; Helen Walker, Beehives; Cenella Rounds, Mia Maids. Leone Dehlin is Stake Mia Maid Leader. Arnell Clark will take a Cub Pack. Guy Bledsoe and Curtis Wright will serve on the Explorer committee.

Sisters Miller and Dana were responsible for the baptism of Elaine, 16; Ross, 14; Linda Barker, 13. Their parents, Elma and Barbara Barker are members. Sister Dana has been transferred and Sister Carlson is here in her place. The missionaries of this district are planning a Youth Missionary Basketball League. Each ward will have a team made up of members and their non-member friends. The tournament will start October 7 in the Walnut Creek Chapel.

Boyd and Sally Applegarth have a new daughter, Mary, as sister to Susan. Cynthia Uffins was baptized and confirmed as she turned eight. Henry and LaVon Pardoni had their baby blessed.

MISSIONARY MOTHERS—San Leandro Stake President Milton P. Ream, left, introduces Sisters Alma Wachter and Evelyn Smith to Elder Henry D. Taylor, Assistant to the Council of Twelve. The ladies, mothers of full-time missionaries, were called to speak at the recent San Leandro Stake Conference. Their sons are Larry Wachter serving in Mexico and Kim Smith who is in Hong Kong. —photo by Chuck Ruiz

Martinez Ward

Bishop Conducts Funeral Services For James Kent

Martinez ward was saddened by the accidental death of James David Kent, 21-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Kent, 458 Burgess Street, Port Chicago. David was killed September 13 at the Johns-Manville products corporation plant. Services, September 18 at Martinez ward chapel, were conducted by Bishop Grant B. Shaw. David is survived by his parents, a brother, Larry, who is on a mission to Texas, and his sister, Roselle Henderson, of Port Chicago.

Ladene and Mel Jeppson are in Los Angeles where they are waiting for a second heart operation for their son, Douglas. He underwent surgery, September 15, which proved inadequate, but complications have delayed a second operation. Ladene has been very ill with flu.

A hearty welcome to our new families: Annette and Timothy Harley; and Norma and Aaron Bond.

Daniel LeRoy Morgan was confirmed a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Sept. and Marc Richard Duncan was confirmed August 26. Also on September 3, blessings were given to: Timmie Lynn Harley, daughter of Annette and Timothy Harley; Sheila Kit Cline, daughter of Augustine and Robert Cline; and Robert Joseph Scott, son of Viola and Richard Scott.

We are happy to have Audrey Morgan back with us after a serious illness.

Nelda and Leonda Polson spent this week end at Pinegrove with her sister and family, Leona and John D. Owens.

Liahona Camp To Be Enlarged

At a dinner meeting September 25, in Oakland, the Liahona Club decided to enlarge the campsite area on their 15½ acre campsite on the Stanislaus.

This will provide camping facilities for Liahona members and their families at all times on this enlarged area to the east of the MIA girls' camping grounds. However no teen agers will be allowed during the weeks that the girls are in camp.

For this expanded camping area fire places, kitchen, sleeping and toilet facilities will be provided by a building program during the 1962 season.

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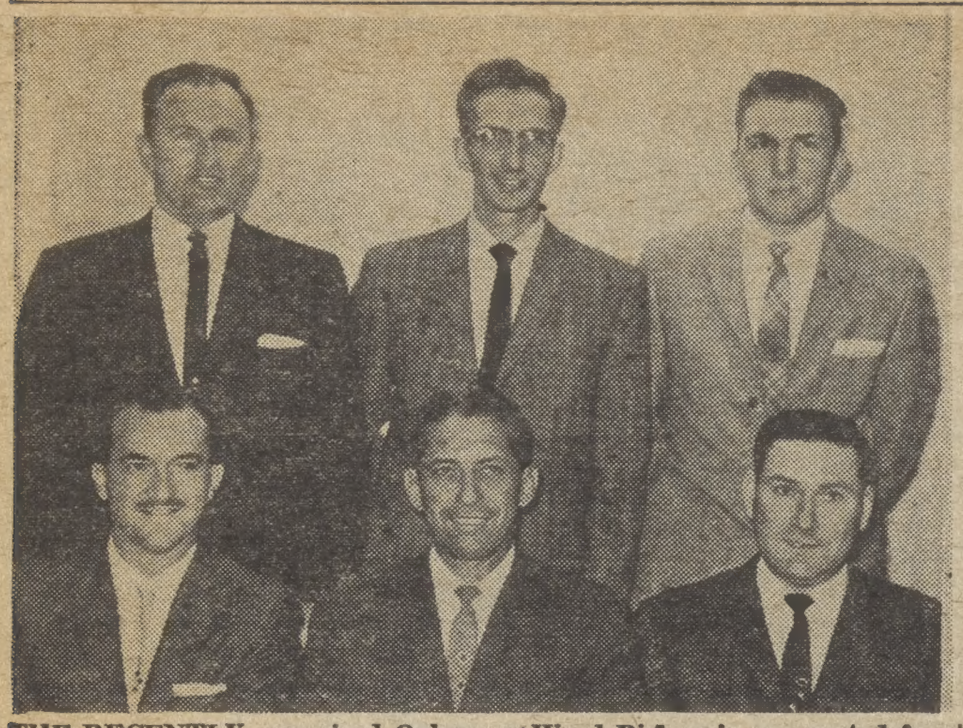

THE RECENTLY organized Oakgrove Ward Bishopric are seated front row left to right: Lynn Davis, first counselor; Bishop Ernest I. Adams; Bill Rader, second counselor; standing are Edward Jones, financial clerk; Orlande Heaton, ward clerk; and Kyle Westover, assistant clerk.

Castro Valley Second

Rummage Sale, Friday, Oct. 13

Castro Valley Second ward's Rummage sale will be at the I.D.E.S. hall, Friday, October 13 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Our annual bazaar will be held Saturday,, November 11 from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Baked goods, regular items and Christmas gifts will be offered for sale.

"Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel" was theme for the opening social of our ward Relief Society, September 27 at 10 a.m.

Reception Honors Keith, Patsy Wirick

A wedding reception as held at the Martinez ward chapel, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, on September 6, for Keith and Patsy Wirick. Keith was a former missionary. The bride is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reinhardt, former residents of Martinez, now of Kelseyville, California. The bride's attendants were her sister, Mary, and cousin, Thelma Parson.

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Oakgrove Ward Plans Building

By Cathi Westover

The Oakgrove Ward, organized in July, is the newest addition in the rapidly growing Walnut Creek Stake.

The newest ward is under the leadership of Bishop Ernest I. Adams and his two counselors Lynn Davis, first and Bill Rader, second; with Orlande Heaton serving as ward clerk.

The organization of a third ward in the Concord area was wrought from the division of the Concord II Ward with an addition from the Walnut Creek Ward. Introduction of a third word family requiring the use of the Concord chapel has necessitated its remodeling which includes six new class rooms, a junior Sunday School and a Seminary classroom.

The Oakgrove Ward will begin its building program the first of the year; the new chapel is to be constructed on Treat Lane in Ygnacio Valley.

The ward committee is organizing the first welfare dinner of the newly established ward which is to be held in the homes of ward members during the last week in October.

The combined choirs of the Concord I and II and Oakgrove Wards will sing at the morning and afternoon sessions of the Walnut Creek Stake Conference on Sunday, October 22.

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San Leandro

James Chapin To South Far East Mission

By Elizabeth W. Frye

A Missionary Farewell Testimonial was held Sunday, September 10, for Elder James Chapin, who has been called to serve in the Southern Far East Mission. A large crowd attended the program which was considered "a spiritual feast."

The Nelson's older son Dennis has been serving as Secretary of the YMMIA.

The Gerald C. Kiser family moved to Chula Vista where Mr. Kiser was transferred by his company. They are members of the Chula Vista Second Ward. Mary Kiser was president of the Mutual for several years. Her two daughters took an active part in church affairs. The older of the two, Anadeane, has returned to the BYU for her sophomore year.

The Edgar Fink family are members of the Hanford Ward. They are also living in a new home. Brother Fink was transferred to the new Naval Air Base at Lemoore, Calif. Brother Fink served in the Sunday School Superintendency for some time and his wife Evelyn served as Relief Society President for about two years.

San Leandro Ward will be well represented at the "Y" this year. Those entering as freshmen are Gene Able, Linda Christensen, Clark Jackson and Leroy Thompson. Upper classmen include Christina Pitcher and Ken Frye.

Ward members have been saddened by the passing away of the father of Alice Smedley. He lived in Ogden, Utah. He is survived by his wife and nine of 16 children, 32 grandchildren and seven great great grandsons. Our sympathy goes out to the Smedley family.

The people appeared and the turkey disappeared at the San Leandro Ward dinner August 24. All the usual trimmings, exceptionally good, were devoured with gusto. Needless to say, the dinner was a "big success."

Many of the young folks of the ward took advantage of the varied store of knowledge disseminated at the Inter Stake Center during Leadership Week. Some of those seen throughout the week were Leroy Thompson, Kenneth Frye, Ronald Frye, Dennis Nelson, Clark Jackson, Karen Wise, Sue Smedley, Nancy Pitcher, Linda Painter, Phyllis Brennan, Susan and Margaret Lauper, Linda and Mary Lou Flaner.

Three of our most stalwart families have left the ward:

The Wilford W. Nelson family moved to Walnut Creek. Brother Nelson has been a member of the High Council for seven years. Before the Oakland-Berkeley Stake was divided five years ago, he worked under President Wright. He has been a senior member of the High Council for two years under President Ream. He was Chairman of the Aaronic Priesthood committee for Senior Members and the Auditing Committee for the Livermore, San Leandro and San Leandro II Wards. When the San Leandro Ward was first formed he served as Second Counselor under Bishop A. Gifford Jackson. Later he was moved to first counselor. During conference Sunday, September 17, he was released from his position on the High Council.

Sister Donna Nelson has been active in the primary and has been a faithful worker for 12 years. She was in the presidency and served as secretary, first and second counselor during that time until two years ago when she became Seagull leader.

The mother of Sister Sylvia Moulton who has been quite ill, spent the summer with the Moultons.

A Fathers' and Sons' outing was held at Live Oak Park at Mt. Diablo, September 8. Bishop Mark Lauper, Robert Glissmeyer, Bryce White and Arthur Wood were there from the San Leandro Ward with their sons.

Irvington Ward

Fashion Show And Dinner Dance Raise Ward Funds

By Beverly Williams

Two projects have helped raise funds for Irvington Ward:

The Mutual Marrieds dinner dance, August 12, and a Fashion Show, August 27, by the Relief Society.

Chairman of the Mutual Marrieds affair was Pat Heiss, with Harold and Gladys Olson in charge of food, and Ray Williams, entertainment.

Rose Winkel presented a check for $400 to Bishop Groesbeck for the Irvington ward building fund, as a result of the Fashion show.

New auxiliary officers are: YWMIA president, Mahala Palmer; with counselors Myrtle Groesbeck, age group, and Dolores Lindsay, activity. Released were Ruth Thomas, Nyle Seavers and Wilma S. Teadman.

Richard Wright was released as YMMIA activity counselor and sustained as age group assistant superintendent. Ronald Edwards is activity assistant and Daryl Peterson is secretary.

Alice Wright is new president of the ward Relief Society wth Anita Bodily and Vivian Nicolaysen, counselors, and Beverly Williams, secretary. Rose Winkel and her counselors, Anita Bodily and Gladys Clayson, and secretary Fran Broan were released.

New Sunday School Superintendent is Deon Bringhurst, with Dick Van Ry and Willis Turner, counselors. Released were Ralph Thomas and counselor Deon Bringhurst. Mary Simons has been sustained as Junior Sunday School coordinator, on the release of Mahala Palmer.

Babies blessed: Kathleen McDonnell, Elizabeth Ann Atkins, Steven Earl Thomas, Patrick Furbee, Harry Palmer, Cynthia Diane Green, Vici Lyn Roller.

Baptized and confirmed: Steven Ray Williams, Dale Sherman Ronald Roy Edwards, Delma Lois Bottenberg.

Advances in Priesthood: Walter Lindsay to Deacon, Warren Groesbeck to Deacon, Ron Edwards to Senior Deacon. To Teacher, Darryl Peterson and Ralph Sherman. Advanced to Elders: Robert Simon, Ern Nelson, Alma Rueckert and Lary Johns.

Hayward Ward

Hal LaPray To Texas Mission

Hal LaPray who will serve in the Texas Mission, will be honored at a farewll testimonial in the Hayward Ward Chapel, October 15, at 2:30 p.m. He will report to the Mission Home in Salt Lake City, October 23. He is the son of M. Clyde and Bertha Maughan LaPray.

Hal graduated from Hayward High School in 1957, where he was prominent in athletics and other school activities. He has attended Brigham Young University, where he is majoring in education. Hal has always been active in church activities. He graduated from Primary, was an officer in his priesthood quorums and graduated from Seminary. He is now Explorer leader.

The LaPray's have four other children, all active in Church organizations. When Hal returss from his mission Barbara will be teaching after graduation from BYU, Larry will be ready to leave for his mission, Steve will be a junior in high school, and Terry wll be in junior high school.

Pleasant Hill-BYU-DVC

Students who have left Pleasant Hill ward for the BYU are: Kathleen Perona, Steve and Stan Corbridge, Marian Henna, Sharon McCollum, Virginia Bloomfield, Deanna Stucki and Doug Gould. Attending Diablo Valley College are Sharon Carlson, Duane Rogers, Donna Cleveland and Mac Thorpe.

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Oakland Second

Jim Lamph Gets BYU Scholarship

By Betty Grommesh

James Lamph has been awarded a four-year scholarship to Brigham Young University in the field of athletics. He will be on the University Football team. James is the son of Francis and Adelia Lamph. He has won many track and field ribbons at local events as well as at our Church Field Doys. He has also lettered at Castlemont high school for four years.

Our former Bishop Glen Rounds rejoined his wife Ruth in Utah for the birth of his first grandchild. She was named Sandra and has the distinction of being the best looking baby girl the grandfather has ever seen.

Like many wards in our stake we have lost many young people who are either returning to college or are going for the first time. Joanne Rounds, Richard Fagre, Sandra Shaw and James Lamph are going to BYU for their first time. Gay Whitesides is going to the University of Oregon, Vickie Morris the University of California, Carol Bates to Mills and Marsdon Haws Jr. and Norman Larsen to Oakland Junior College. Karen Shaw, Yvonne Biddle, Mary Jo Sullens, Susan Ongman and Linda Goldsmith are returning to the Y for their second or third year.

The ward was favored by a visit of one of it's former full time Missionaries. Danny Edwards who is working his way through BYU brought his wife and baby daughter home for a visit. Danny was in the church several years when he was called on a mission. This in itself is not too surprising but Danny has no relatives in the church at all. By the financial backing from ward members he was able to fill a successful mission in Arizona.

Danny assures us that he plans to return to Oakland when he has finished college.

Our Stake Missionaries Grover and Clara Orton have brought in their twentieth convert since they began a Stake Mission 18 and a half months ago, when they were called on their mission. Their humility and sincerity in their work has been a testimony to all those they taught. Their latest convert was an eight year old boy, he was the only one in the family who joined although others may join later.

The Ortons said that at the time they were teaching this boy, Arthur Little, there were as many as 10 children at the meetings ranging in age 8 through 11. One of the 10 year olds wants to be baptized.

Our Scoutmaster Bob Stein took the Scouts for an overnight pack trip recently.

Gary Fruge was ordained a Deacon and Doyle Glen Fullmer a Teacher in the Aaronic Priesthood. Llewellyn Fickes was ordained a Priest. He has been set apart as General Secretary of the Aaronic Priesthood under 21. Doyle Gordon Fullmer has been called as the new Seminary Teacher. Vaoalli Fanene has been sustained as the Second Assistant to the Chairman of the Genealogical Committee. Evelyn Duncan and Edna Darton have been released as Social Science and Theology Teachers in the Relief Society. The new Teachers in those positions are Rayma Brush and Zelnora Evans. Carol Shaw was released as President of the YWMIA and called to the position was Marilyn Collard.

Babies blessed this month were: Alicia Mellor, Eugene Radabaugh, Jennifer Simonsen and Stanya Raye Makanski. Jennifer is the grandaughter of the I. Ray Dartons and was brought from southern California to be blessed in the ward where her mother was raised in the home for many years of the Dartons.

We wish to offer sympathy to the family and friends of Mrs. England, the mother of LaRellda Holder in our ward. Also we wish good health for Mrs. Dick, mother of Maggie Bredstrand, and to any others in our ward who have been ill.

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Danville Ward

Social Starts MIA New Year

By Elizabeth O'Nion

The new Mutual year began September 5 with an opening social when our Mutual was guest of the newly formed Oakgrove ward's MIA. Oakgrove's Mutual also attended our Mt. Diablo Park annual weenie roast, August 26.

With a small Mutual and small ward membership, our MIA officers nevertheless feel our first year has been highly successful, due principally to the support of the young people, their parents and our Bishopric. Our first summer program was filled with swimming parties, a roller skating party, bowling, a weenie roast and watermelon bust, a ball game, summer camp and participation in the production of "Promised Valley."

Under the supervision of our MIA Maid leader and Music director, Eve Chaney, the following participated on our stake's production of "Promised Valley": Allyn Joy, Jane Jensen, Jackie Larson, Anne Swenson, Elizabeth O'Nion, Dean Pearson, and Eve Chaney. Pat O'Nion, in charge of make-up, contributed to the success of musical play.

Our ward picnic at Mt. Diablo state park August 26 was a nice one in spite of the bad weather. Children and adults enjoyed playing softball, and taking part in old-fashioned races which were supervised by Tony Clark. Pat O'Nion was general chairman.

Tony Clark's scout troop enjoyed an overnight to the American River to pan gold and fish. Some of the boys came home, proud possessors of gold dust.

Out stake's summer camp was in two sessions this year. Kathy Kimball and Judy Strom attended the first week; Allyn Joy, Jane Jensen, Sandra Brown, Maxine Lynch, Loxie Slossher, Karen Hodge, Anne Swenson and leader Ione Brown ,the second week. Claudia Clark was able to attend as a Junior Leader for the Walnut Creek ward group during the second session.

Two of our high school graduates and Priests of the ward will be leaving for college this year: Allen Buskirk to the University of California, where he will stay with his grandfather during the week; and Lynn Hodge, who will be leaving for Brigham Young University. Our ward will also miss Stuart and Claudia Clark who have been helping with our summer program while home from the BYU.

Ray and Bertha Daniels report an enjoyable trip to Provo to see their son, Arthur, graduate from the BYU. He returned from a mission to France about three years ago.

The Primary reports a successful Lihoma Holiday, September 8, for 38 at the home of Joy Strom. Dinner was followed by a program, advancement ceremony and swimming. Graduates were: Linda Edgar, Gloria Halverson and Ann Coffee. Theme was "Salute to Mom" and special talks were by Marjorie Pyle of the Walnut Creek stake board, and Sister Miller, full-time missionary. Gloria Kimball, counselor for the girls' program, conducted.

Ward Priesthood ordinations include: Kim Friden, ordained a Priest; Larry Edgar and Sandy Friden, Teacher; Jimmy Ring and Kenny Proctor, Deacon. Senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood who were ordained to the office of Teacher were: Mike Derr, Ralph Warner and Stan Friden.

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Northern California Mission Share-The-Gospel-Plan Works

By Gay Taylor

During the first eight months of 1961 the average number of meetings held by missionaries of the Northern California Mission was only slightly more than one-third the number held for the corresponding period of the previous year. However, the number of convert baptisms was almost 100% greater.

An important factor in the success of the missionary effort is the "Share the Gospel" plan, by which members of the various stakes of the area invite non-member friends and acquaintances to their homes for missionary meetings. Through this plan, the missionaries conduct discussions with people who already have an interest in hearing about the gospel. They are, in effect, "pre-sold."

Of particular interest is the activity of the young people in the plan, through the formation of Student Missionary Committees in the wards. Members of the committee arrange socials on a "bring a friend" basis, the friend being the ticket of admission. Friends are also invited to seminary classes and to cottage meetings, firesides, MIA, and to attend church. The Student Missionary Committee also works with LDS young people who are inactive.

Arousing interest among non-members has been found to be a simple matter of asking them two questions: "How much do you know about the Mormon Church?" and "Would you like to learn more?" These have been found so effective that they are called the "Golden Questions."

In this age of science, even the conversion of an investigator has been reduced to an equation. This is it: ——

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one that can be solved by an electronic brain. The symbols stand for the following:——

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(SPC)—Study, Prayer, and Church. This is the investigators part. He MUST do all three.

T—Testimony. This is the Lord's part, and he always does His share.

Castro Valley

Rose Marie Cudd, Garth Ludwig

Garth Ludwig II, and Mis Rose Marie Cudd were married September 1, in the Salt Lake Temple. The wedding was attended by parents of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. F. Garth Ludwig of Castro Valley. Rose Marie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Cudd of Castro Valley.

After their vows were exchanged on Friday the young couple remained in Salt Lake and went through the Temple again on Tuesday. A reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Sr. September 10, honoring the young couple. The reception was attended by the paternal grandparents, Frank G. Ludwigs, of Glendale, Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Cudd, the brides parents; Mrs. Rose Smith, grandmnther of the groom; along with other family members and friends. The Relief Society of Castro Valley Ward was in charge of the refreshments.

The new Mrs. Ludwig was baptized into the church by her new husband just over a year ago and was confirmed by her new father-in-law.

Castro Valley

Karen Golightly H. Shurtleff Wed

Howard Shurtleff and Miss Karen Golightly were married in the Salt Lake Temple, Sept. 8. A reception was held for the young couple in Preston, Idaho, after which they honeymooned in Idaho and Oregon. An open house was held for them September 16 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Shurtleff in Castro Valley.

The young couple will reside here, awaiting Howard's commission in the United States Navy. They met while attending Brigham Young University.

Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Golightly of Whitney, Idaho. Howard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Shurtleff of Castro Valley. Both sets of parents attended the wedding, along with 20 family members.

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My Testimony

'A House Unto Me'

By Mabel B. Liddell

When the Lord commanded the Saints in Kirtland to build a Temple, these were some of the promises given them:

> **"And inasmuch as my people guild a house unto me in the name of the Lord, and do not suffer any unclean things to come into it, that it be not defiled, my glory shall rest upon it; Yea, and my presence shall be there. . . . but if Zion observe not to do whatsoever I have commanded her, I will visit her according to all her works, with sore affliction. . . ."**

These words came to mind this fall as my husband and I listened to the story of the building of a lovely new church by the valiant people in Wellington, Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Burnett, officers in the MIA told us of the sacrifices and original methods used to promote the project, and of the way the Lord blessed them for so doing.

The old frame building that had been their church for about thirty years, was torn down and all usable lumber utilized. Then trees were procured out of the mountain forests nearby, and all necessary rough lumber was prepared in their own sawmill, erected on a hill near the small town. When the building was ready for finished lumber, word came of a train wreck near Green River, wherein an entire shipment of finished lumber was to be burned to get it out of the way. Within forty eight hours, the energetic men of Wellington Ward were there and had salvaged the new lumber for their church.

On July 24th, the only Pioneer Day celebration in Carbon County was provided by the people of Wellington in order to raise money for the new building. They even designed and built a merry-go-round from parts of cars and motors, using phonograph records for music. Everyone worked hard to provide all srts of concessions and the reward was great for people came from miles around.

As the time drew near for the dedication, there was still a deficit of $2,200.00. So a large metal can with a slit in the top was passed from person to person throughout the region. As each family received the can, they placed their donation in the slit, then took it on to their neighbor. Two weeks was allowed for the can to be passed about the community. Many fine people who were not members of the church donated generously. When the can was opened at the close of the allotted two weeks, it contained $2,201.00.

The great day was set—the new Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, the only church in Wellington, was to be dedicated January 11, 1957. Women donned jeans and helped the men in cleaning walls, washing windows and polishing everything. The stately, two ward building, with spacious lawns was ready to dedicate to the Lord. The choir had prepared the Hossanna Anthem, flowers were arranged for, everything was in readiness. Then—a bombshell! The Bishop called all the people into an emergency meeting three days before the dedication to announce in a trembling voice that there had been an error in book-keeping there was a further deficit of $1,100.00 that must be met before the building could be dedicated.

For a period there was silence—and gloom was written on every face. Then an elderly gentleman stood to ask how much each family would have to pay to meet this balance. He was answered, $25.00. The gentleman walked up to the Bishop and paid his share. Like a spark that ignites a flame, his courage was contagious. Soon these humble people, none of them abundantly supplied with funds, began to follow his example. One man was in need of a car—but said it could wait and he gave $50.00; another who had been out of work becauseof an accident, gave $25.00. Their courage spread and by the close of the evening $2,200.00 had been collected.

One young wife gave $50.00 and was almost afraid to go home to announce what she had done. When she did, her husband surprised her completely by saying he had been given the opportunity to earn $25.00 extra that very day. Brother Burnett said that he and his wife gave more than they could possibly afford, but strangely enough they never even missed the money. Many people who hadn't been active in church for a long while, became very interested through this project.

When the day of dedication arrived, people came from great distances and the spirit was beautiful in all of the services. Sister Burnett remarked that the singing was more lovely than ever before. The sweet spirit among the people was almost divine, and this same feeling was present in the building for a long while after the dedication. "We were all so happy," stated Sister Burnett, "we were much too busy to be any other way."

President Hugh B. Brown, of the Council of the Twelve, was appointed to dedicate the building. He remarked that he felt the most marvelous spirit in the meetings, quite out of the ordinary. When he was informed of the sacrifices made by the people in the community, he said he fully understood the reason.

He promised the people there assembled that many calamities had been averted in their little community because of their faithfulness in building this beautiful church, and that someday they would know what they had escaped by their obedience and sacrifice.

ISRAELITE CONVERTS, Joseph Achariz and David Oren, appear here as they were photographed during an April 1961 visit to Haifa Palestine, by Tom Ferguson. Joseph Achariz in "A Converted Jew Writes" in this month's Messenger, tells about his desire to help teach the Gospel of JesusChrist in Israel.

Converted Israelite Writes Ferguson; Pleads For Help

Nearly everyone, it seems, in the San Francisco Bay area is aware that Thomas S. Ferguson's book, "One Fold and One Shepherd" has converted a very enthusiastic and dynamic Israelite who is actively propagandizing the Book of Mormon and its message among his friends, the Jews of Palestine.

But who knows anything further of the story of this alert Israeli?

Mr. Ferguson received a letter sometime ago from this man written at Haifa, Palestine telling more of his life story and pleading that missionaries be sent to help him convert others.

The man's name is Joseph Acheriz, a painter at the time of the letter, 36 years of age with a wife and five children. He went to Israel in 1947 when 22 years of age, having lost h is home and all possessions in Greece in World War II, all being destroyed by the Nazi invaders.

From age 13 he had been in the Partisan army fighting in the mountains of Macedonia. At that time he was a confirmed anarchist who were in bands known as 'death commandos', fighting day and night, cold and hungry.

Wounded three times, the last time seriously, at age 18 he and his comrades were rescued in a remarkable manner by three hunters. This part of the story involves his conversion to Jesus Christ. He calls it "The personal experience I had from Jesus Christ."

In the winter of 1943-44 he and the group of fourteen young people whom he led were betrayed by a supposed friend and three of them killed. Finally they had to divide into smaller groups. With two other young people he escaped into the mountains of Jugoslavia and made for a Greciian village just over the border.

The wound in his abdomen grew very painful and he begged the others to go ahead and leave him. But they refused because immobility meant freezing to death at the time.

One of the three boys believed in Jesus Christ altho he had never let it be known before, being a professed anarchist. Now he said to them, "Boys, we have nothing to do but just pray to Jesus Christ."

As anarchists they had been taught that it was a weakness to pray, a really great shame and not courage. But Mihalis continued and told them, "My mother was always praying to Jesus Christ. I believe that if all of us will pronounce his name, if we pray and ask help of Jesus Christ—I am sure that he will help us."

So, in their desperation, they all began to pray, and to speak the words, "Jesus Christ, God of heaven, we know you exist and will

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Pleasant Hill

Clarence Curtis Family Moves

By Margorie M. Burr

A farewell open house was held at the Keith McCune home for the family of Clarence and Alice Curtis before departure Sept. 19 for Pennsylvania. The Curtis family has been members of the Pleasant Hill Ward since it was first organized. Brother Curtis has been active in Senior Aaronic Presthood work and served as counselor in the Bishopric for three years under Bishop Vaughn Neilson. Sister Curtis served in the Relief Society Presidency and also in the MIA Presidency. Their two daughters, Linda and Colleen are remaining in Pleasant Hill, as both have local employment.

The Fun Fair sponsored by the Walnut Creek Stake at the Concord Chapel on Sept. 16th was a great success despite the rainstorm. Pleasant Hill Ward's booth featured homemade wall placques and toys. Proceeds will go toward the Welfare Fund.

At Ward Conference on Sept. 17th, Bishop Mathews stressed the importance of getting work started on our new chapel by spring. Our ward membership now totals 913. He urged that everyone observe their pledge to the building fund to make this possible.

Babies blessed in Fast and Testimony meeting were Kettie Michelle, daughter of Charles and Wilma Gross, who was blessed by her grandfather Clyde Peterson, Jeffery Scott, son of Jack and Kay O'Driscoll; and Kirsten Neilson, daughter of Therol and LaVerle Neilson.

Clyde Peterson confirmed his grandson, Randall Allen Hatch.

A son was born this past month to Al and Marge Kaiser, a daughter to Bill and Kitty Popp, and a daughter to Jack and Freda Straub.

Bob Hironymous was hospitalized a few days with food poisoning.

Audrey Davis left Sept. 15 for Salt Lake City to visit relatives and will stay for general conference.

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Converted Jew

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help us. We believe in you and we are sure that you will help us."

Joseph Acheriz in relating this experience in the letter to Mr. Ferguson says, "I was very confused and astonished, but some secret voice told me, or some feeling in my heart told me that I had to pronounce his name and all would be okay. I had some intuition and was sure. . . I'm now surprised how fanatical a mind I had had as an anarchist. . . . I was in a sleep of fanaticism—my conscious had been sleeping. . . "

"We were almost screaming the name of Jesus Christ to help us. And he did help us. From that day he always helped us. Always when I ask anything in his name that I want he gives it to me—if I ask with a full heart, an open heart, with full faith. . . .

"That evening in the snow in the mountains our hearts were nearer to him than at any other time before. Never had I felt such a thing. We all three were one. That evening Jesus was in our minds. . . And we were so quiet after praying, so much at peace, so sure he would so sure as I was that frozen evenhelp us. Never since have I been ing.

"After an hour we saw three men coming towards us. They were wood cutters. We made ready to defend ourselves, but they were friends and not enemies. They proposed to help us and take us to the village. They had the bullet taken from my abdamen. It was found just deep in the skin. . . .

"We remained in that village five days, and when we left we wanted to give our thanks to the three woodcutters, but no one knew them. We were told that they were from across the border and had been out hunting. Never before had they been known to have come so far inside Greece from Yugoslavia on their hunting expeditions. . . .

"Strange!

The letter comes to a close saying, "So now you know about me, my life. I suffered very much, but I have found the real way. Mormonism for me is the best religion, the best ideal for my children, clean, pure, sincere and not too complicated. I'll do all possible to propogate the Book of Mormon to all my friends and unknown people. I'm ready to do everything for the accomplishment of this idea and doctrine. . . .

miracle! My mind is that Jesus the great, the strongest of all had sent them to us. That is my personal experience with Jesus Christ. I'm not baptised. My faith in him is so big that I haven't thought of baptism."

Thomas W. Ferguson visited this brother Joseph Acheriz in Israel this past summer and says that he now has another Jew convert working with him and they have at least fifty investigators coming out. He is writing Le Grand Richards and begging for missionaries. It seems that this request will soon be fulfilled.

Oakland Fourth

Tim Thompson To West Central

Tim Thompsen, son of Ronald and Virgilia Dysart of the Oakland Fourth ward will be honored at a farewell testimonial at the ward chapel, 4705 Virginia street, October 15, at 6:00 p.m. He will enter the mission home October 29 and will serve in the West Central States mission.

Tim has completed one year at Brigham Young University, and is a graduate of Oakland High school where he was president of the Key club, a Lt. Colonel in the R.O.T.C. and served on Boys' Federation. At BYU he was a freshman representative on the Associated Men's Student council.

The Senior School for senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood and unordained men and their partners, meets each Tuesday evening, under the direction of A. K. and Thora Bramwell. Members meet at opening exercises of MIA, then go to the Relief Society room for discussions.

Henrietta Body is president of the Seminary class which meets at 6:40 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Fun and bargains will be offered at our ward bazaar November 4.

Our next ward welfare dinner is Saturday, October 14.

Teacher Training sessions will start October 8, from 10:30 a.m. through opening exercises of Sunday school.

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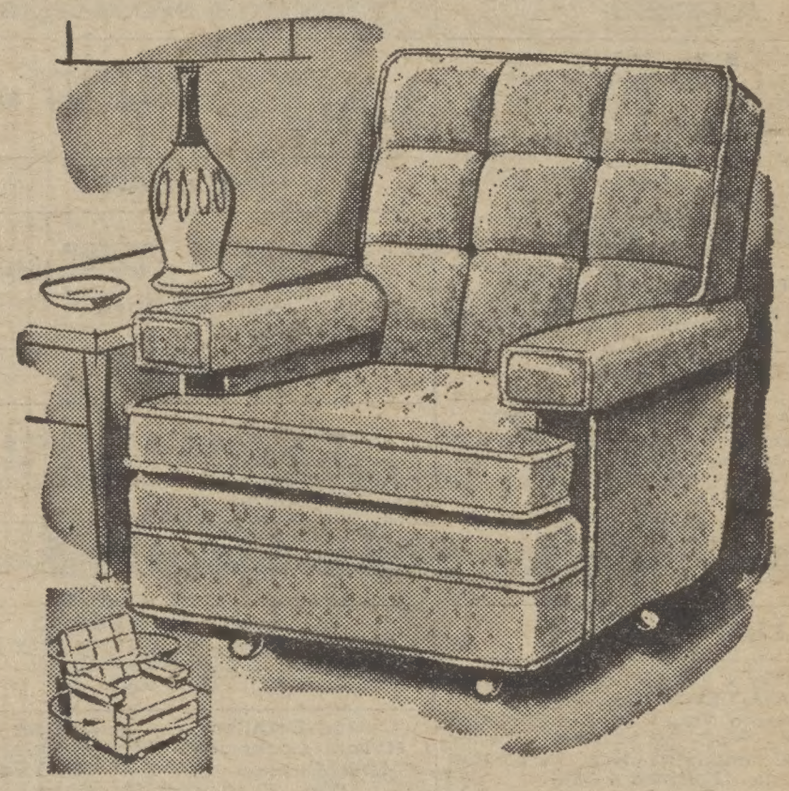

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